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Contract

## **Element Avanti**

University Of Edinburgh

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d746

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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Edinburgh

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.ed.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Element Avanti

Reference number

NCA21304

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 42931100 - Laboratory centrifuges and accessories

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This purchase builds on the University and its Genetics Core expertise in near-to-clinic genomics, current experience of working with technology, our hosted biobank and already in place embedded genomic automation. The implementation of the equipment will significantly impact ongoing and future research projects. For example, it will facilitate the investigation of genomic variation in funded, and future, projects of structurally-diverse tumour types of unmet need.

The Genetics Core requires a short-read sequencing platform that has the ability to sequence low-diversity libraries without the need to add in large amounts of PhiX (more than 5%) to artificially introduce base diversity. It needs to be able to work with single cell platforms, especially 10x Genomics and Parse, and be able to run any combination of their barcodes for these experiments. It needs to have the ability to work with low to medium sample numbers (two to twelve) while maintaining high quality data and throughput. The chosen system in the Element AVITI is the only system on the market that can fulfil this requirement.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £290,640

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 42931100 - Laboratory centrifuges and accessories

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Main site or place of performance

University of Edinburgh

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 0

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

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#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

NCA21348

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

17 January 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Elemental

Derry

Derry

bt48 6hp

Telephone

+44 00000000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN0A - Derry City and Strabane

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £290,640

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Edinburgh Sherriff Court

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom